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The development and function of the so-called Cypress-
"knees," with a consideration of the natural habitat of the tree,
by W. P. Wilson.

Preliminary notes on the genus *Rynchospora* in North
America, by N. L. Britton.

On *Rusbya*, a new genus of Vacciniaceæ from Bolivia, by N.
L. Britton.

Notes on a monograph of the genus *Lechea*, by N. L. Britton.

The specific germ of the Carnation disease, by J. C. Arthur
and H. L. Bolley.

Notes upon plants collected by Dr. Ed. Palmer at La Paz,
Lower California, in 1890, by J. N. Rose, presented by John M.
Coulter.

Notes upon the crystals in certain species of the Arum family,
by W. R. Lazenby.

Notes on *Isopyrum biternatum*, by C. W. Hargitt.

Botanical Notes.

Tubular Flowers in Rudbeckia. I have lately had handed to
me a flower of the *Rudbeckia hirta*, in which the rays instead of
being flat are all tubular. The plant grows here in Concord, it
had eight or ten flowers and all the rays were like the specimen
given me. The tubular flowers were of the light color of the un-
derside of the rays, while the opening at the end was bright yel-
low, a line or vein being on the centre of the upper side where
the rolled rays seemed to join. The flower looked very much
like the hub and spokes of a wheel. A. W. HOSMER.

Concord, Mass.

Progress at Brown University. Botany is looking up at
Brown University. At its last meeting, the Corporation elected
Mr. James L. Bennett Curator of the Herbaria, and Prof. H.
C. Bumpus assistant in Biology. We have some hopes, too,
of new and better accommodations for the herbaria and labora-
tory. We greatly desire to strengthen our present collections
and to create an economic museum. In the hope that some
friend may see this and aid us, I send you this brief note.
Fruits, fibres, fabrics, drugs; nothing vegetable will be alien to us.
We ask the good will of the fraternity. W. W. BAILEY.